

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) A pneumatic gun for fixing elements, comprising a body (2) provided with pneumatically-actuated means for expelling said elements, a handle (3) that protrudes from said body(2) and a magazine (4) for storing and individually feeding the fixing elements, which is constituted by a box-like container (11) ~~provided with~~ having a sliding flap (13) for inserting said elements, said body (2) ~~being provided with~~ having a working head (8) for driving said elements that can be coupled to a complementary end head (9) of said box-like container (11) ~~that is affected by and~~ having an opening (18) for the passage of said elements and ~~is adapted to form forming~~, together with said head (8), a firing channel (7) for said elements, ~~characterized in that it comprises~~ a guide (38) ~~that runs~~ running from said head (8) to said handle (3) and coupled slidably with which said box-like container (11) is ~~coupled slidably~~ so as to allow a manual translational motion of said magazine (4) from a first active end position, in which said complementary head (9) is adjacent to said head (8), allowing the expulsion of said elements through said firing channel (7), to a second position, in which said complementary head (9) is substantially spaced from said head (8) in order to allow access to said firing channel (7), said guide (38) being provided with means (48) for rapid manual locking and release of the translational motion of said box-like container (11), said locking and release means (48) having a releasable safety closure (49) for preventing the translational motion of said box-like container (11) when in the second position and accidental disengagement from said guide (38), said safety closure (49) having an insert (57) engaged detachably in a respective pocket (58)

provided in said guide (38), for abutting against a retention protrusion (59) provided along said box-like container (11) such that to produce a further translational motion of the magazine 4 with respect to the guide or to extract the magazine completely, the insert (57) must be removed from the respective pocket.

2. (Currently Amended) The gun according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein said guide (38) is constituted by~~ has a profiled element ~~that is arranged~~ substantially at right angles to said head (8) ~~and forms for forming~~ a longitudinal slot (46) along which said container (11) is ~~slidable engaged slidingly~~.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The gun according to claim 3 1, characterized in that said locking and release means (48) comprise a lever (50) ~~that is pivoted pivotably mounted~~, substantially at its centerline, to said guide (38) and has a first end portion (54) for actuation and a second end portion that forms a sort of beak (55) that is adapted ~~to abut~~ abuts against a contoured tooth (17) that is monolithic with said box-like container (11), elastic means (56) ~~being~~ interposed between said first end portion (54) and said guide (38), said lever (50) ~~being able to rotate manually~~ rotatable from a first stable angular position, ~~biased provided~~ by said elastic means (56), for locking the sliding of said box-like container (11), in which said beak (55) is engaged on said contoured tooth (17), to a second angular position, in which said beak (55) is substantially disengaged from said tooth (17), allowing the free sliding of said box-like container (11) along said guide (38).

6.(Cancelled)

7.(Currently Amended) The gun according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~
wherein said longitudinal slot (46) of said guide (38) has a substantially T-shaped
transverse cross-section.

8.(Currently Amended) The gun according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~
wherein said guide (38) ~~forms, has on the back (42), at an end (41), an eye (43) for~~
~~detachable connection, by way of screw means (44), to detachably connecting an~~
extension (5) of said handle (3).